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Attorney Docket No.	12400-3
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Title	Standing Assist Cane
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Utility Patent Application Transmittal (1 page)  
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
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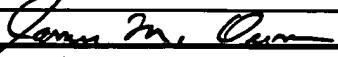
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